

**VILLAGE OF WAUCONDA
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman John Barbini called the Development Committee Meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Trustee Lincoln Knight, Trustee Ken Arnswald, Trustee Tim Howe were present along with Director Chris Miller.

Others present included: Maria Weisbruch

APPROVAL OF 10-13-15 MEETING MINUTES: Chairman Barbini asked if there were any corrections or changes needed to the minutes, and there were none. The minutes were approved as written.

Economic Development Strategic Plan:

- a. Goal 1.b. Business Visitation Program: The Committee reviewed and discussed the results of an "Electronic Business Survey. Noted items included: 29 responses; 52% of business indicated they plan to expand their business in the next 3 years; and the average score for Village services and staff received a 4.07 out of 5 being the highest. The Committee identified businesses anticipating expansion as the priority for Staff to visit under the business visitation program.
- b. Design Guidelines adopted into ordinances: The Committee discussed whether the Village Design Guidelines should be adopted into Village ordinances and be mandated throughout the community. After discussion the Committee recommended that the Design Guidelines continue to be applied and enforced through annexations, conditional use permits and encouraged whenever redevelopment occur, and not be established by ordinance.
- c. Goal 1.a. Chamber and Business Education Program: Director Miller updated the Committee on progress of the Village's efforts to collaborate with the Chamber and bring Educational Programs to Wauconda businesses. He indicated that the Village, Chamber and Library District are planning four "Wauconda U" Educational events. The events will be hosted at the Library. The first event is scheduled for February 3, 2016. All businesses located within Wauconda are welcome to attend these events, which are also open to all Wauconda Chamber Members.

Development Updates:

- a. Life Storage/ former Dominick's Site: Director Miller reported that building plans have been received for the Life Storage interior buildout of the former Dominick's building. Discussion as to whether IDOT as approved an access off the Route 12 ramp occurred. The Committee requested that Director Miller contact LSCD to learn the status of the access. Trustee Howe indicated that he will contact Senator Bush to arrange a meeting to inform the Senator of transportation planning and development activities within Wauconda and along Route 12.
- b. Patten Cat Development: Director Miller reported that Patten Industries Building Plans have been approved. He indicated Sprinkler Plans, Fire Alarm, Lake County Well and Septic approvals and IDOT access approval are yet to be approved.

Public Comment: no public comment was received.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm by Chairman Barbini.